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In re Application of:

KWANG-JIN YANG et al.

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For: BIT-RATE INDEPENDENT OPTICAL RECEIVER AND METHOD THEREOF



**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites,  
provides copies and discusses the following art references:

	<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Date</u>
●	5,181,134	Fatehi et al.	01/93
●	4,888,791	Barndt, Sr.	12/89
●	5,510,919	Wedding	04/96
●	5,144,469	Brahms et al.	09/92
●	5,550,864	Toy et al.	08/96
●	4,524,462	Cottatelucci	06/85
●	6,069,722	Schlag	05/00
●	6,034,801	Pfeiffer	03/00
●	4,475,212	McLean et al.	10/84
●	S.N. 09/484,061	Yang et al.	Not issued yet

Fatehi '134 discloses a photonic cross-connect switch.

Barndt, Sr. '791 discloses a clock decoder and data bit transition detector for fiber optic work station.

Wedding '919 discloses an optical system for transmitting a multilevel signal.

Brahms et al. '469 discloses a method for the transmission of data between two stations by means of optical waveguides.

Toy et al. '864 discloses a bit rate-insensitive mechanism for transmitting integrated clock and data signals over digital communication link.

Cottatelucci '462 discloses a system for jointly transmitting high-frequency and low-frequency digital signals over a fiber-optical carrier.

Schlag '722 discloses a transmitter for optically transmitting analog electric signals, and digital transmission system.

Pfeiffer '801 discloses a transmitting device, transmitting apparatus and optical transmission system for optically transmitting analog electrical signals.

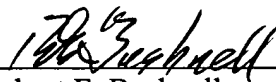
McLean et al. '212 discloses a frequency-independent, self-clocking encoding technique and apparatus for digital communications.

Yang et al. S.N. 09/484,061 discloses a method and apparatus for identifying bit rate.

The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging and thorough search of the relative arts.

No fee is incurred by this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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